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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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 Sadami Takeoka et al.) Group Art Unit: 2825
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 Serial No.: 09/843,687)
 (CON of Serial No. 08/803,145))
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 Filed: April 30, 2001)
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 Title: METHOD OF DESIGNING SEMI-)
 CONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT)

ELECTION

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on December 15, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 15, 2004, Applicants elect Group II, specified as claims 2-10, 12-14 and 18.

Applicants note that claims 3, 4, 7, 9, 19, 13, 14 and 18 have been previously cancelled in a preliminary amendment filed with the filing of the above application on April 30, 2004.

Applicants further note that non-elected claims 1 and 11 are believed to recite a broader concept than in claims 2-10 and 12-20.

If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's attorney at the telephone

number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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